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PROCEEDINGS

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FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION—DECEMBER 10-15, 1873.

THE Fifty-eighth Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was begun and held in the town of Brandon, December 10-15, 1873—Bishop W. M. Wightman presiding.

The presiding Bishop conducted the religious exercises at the opening, by reading Rom. x., singing hymn 272, and prayer.

The following clerical members were present during the session, their names being recorded according to the date of their admission, reädmission, or transfer, into the Conference—viz.: John G. Jones, Wm. H. Watkins, Andrew Day, Henry J. Harris, Joseph Nicholson, James L. Forsyth, Henderson H. Montgomery, John B. Higginbotham, Robert A. Sibley, James A. Godfrey, Archibald B. Nicholson, John A. B. Jones, James H. Shelton, Wm. B. Hines, Ephraim A. Flowers, John J. Clark, Benjamin Jones, George F. Thompson, Henry P. Lewis, Charles G. Andrews, Wm. Bryant Lewis, Newton B. Young, Louis Kendall, Harvey F. Johnson, Edwin H. Mounger, Columbus W. Campbell, Ira B. Robertson, Walter W. Hurst, David Merchant, Wm. L. C. Hunnicutt, John D. Hays, Corydon Chamberlin, William E. Ballard, James K. Hamblen, Robert B. Downer, James S. Harris, Francis M. Williams, John A. Ellis, Wm. E. M. Linfield, Francis M. Featherstun, Parmenas Howard, Andrew B. Steward, John W. Harmon, Epaphroditus W. Simmons, Alexander M. Campbell, Joshua T. Heard, Wm. Spillman, James Shanks, John C. Brogan, Thomas Y. Armstrong, William H. Leith, James M. Gann, Henry P. Bowen, Charles B. Gal-

loway, Robert D. Norsworthy, Charles F. Gillespie, Henry Moore, John H. Evans, Claiborne McDonald, David A. Givens, Lyman Carley, Ulysses B. Phillips, Pinckney A. Johnson, James M. Weems, George W. Chatfield, Daniel A. J. Parker, Ransom J. Jones, Oliver H. P. Davis, George M. Gilmore, John W. Hall, Daniel G. W. Ellis, Jacob H. Holland, Thomas B. Walden, Hiram R. Singleton, James S. Parker, David P. Bradford, John W. Adkisson, James J. Smylie, H. Walter Featherstun, John W. Sandell, Warren C. Black.

Lay members from the several Districts were present, and participated in the proceedings, as follows—viz.: George Nicholson, John H. Thompson, John S. Beasley, Josiah Hester, R. C. G. S. Hilliard, Thos. R. Holloman, S. L. Gince, G. L. Record, Thomas Reed, L. M. Horton, T. J. Feazell, M. W. Thornton, W. A. Ray, E. C. Postell, John T. Cameron, William L. Nugent, George W. Galloway, James E. Jagers, W. G. Longmire, W. K. Barber, S. B. Watts.

C. G. Andrews was elected Secretary; J. A. B. Jones, Assistant; John T. Cameron, Recording Secretary; and J. J. Smylie, Statistical Secretary.

The hours of 9:30 A.M. and 2 P.M. were fixed upon as the time of meeting and adjournment.

Committees were appointed on the various interests of the Church as follows—viz.:

On Public Worship.—F. M. Williams, G. F. Thompson, H. H. Montgomery, A. G. Mayers, Robert Lowry.

On Finance.—W. L. Nugent, Thomas Reed, J. E. Jagers, George Nicholson, R. C. G. S. Hilliard, I. N. Applewhite, C. R. Rencher, W. M. Thornton, Wm. E. Ballard, F. M. Featherstun.

On Sunday-schools.—E. H. Mounger, C. B. Galloway, I. B. Robertson, N. B. Young, E. W. Simmons, S. B. Watts, G. M. Gilmore, L. M. Horton, W. W. Hurst.

On Bible Cause.—J. A. Godfrey, R. J. Jones, D. A. J. Parker, J. H. Thompson, H. Newsom, J. C. Brogan, T. J. Feazell, J. Nicholson.

On Religious Literature.—John G. Jones, E. C. Postell, E. F. Mullins, W. G. Longmire, H. P. Lewis, J. M. Gann, W. A. Ray.

On Education.—W. L. C. Hunnicutt, A. M. Campbell, C. Chamberlin, L. K. Barber, Benjamin Jones, J. A. Ellis, C. McDonald, P. H. Napier.

On Temperance.—H. R. Singleton, F. W. Sharbrough, R. D. Norsworthy, J. H. Holland, T. R. Holloman, L. Kendall.

On Publishing Minutes.—J. T. Heard, R. B. Downer, A. B. Stewart.

On Memoirs.—J. G. Jones, A. M. Campbell.

Rev. L. Parker, D.D., editor of the *New Orleans Christian Advocate*, was present, representing his paper and the New Orleans Depository.

Rev. Dr. Kline, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Brandon, and Rev. J. T. Daves, Superintendent of Missions in Mexico, were introduced and occupied seats within the bar of Conference.

Communications from the Publishing House at Nashville and the Depository at New Orleans, from Rev. R. Abbey, agent to prosecute the claims of the Southern Methodist Publishing House against the United States, and from the various Conference-schools, were read and referred to appropriate committees.

Conference resolved to sit with open doors during the regular examination of character.

First Question. Who are admitted on trial?

Answer. Daniel C. Langford, from the Mt. Olivet; Albert T. Tidwell, from the Brownsville; Joseph W. Hall, from the Sulphur Springs; Thomas R. Holloman, Clarence A. Powell, Lewis R. Featherstun, from the North Warren; Charles R. Bowen, from the Fayette; John W. Ritchey, from the Bogue Chitto; Duncan A. Little, from the Paulding; and Alex. L. McBryde, from the Toomsuba Circuit.

Second Question. Who remain on trial?

Answer. John W. Ellison, Joseph B. K. Smith, to be examined in "Manual of the Discipline," "Wesley's Sermons" (Vol. I.), and "Redford's History;" Calvin C. Watkins, to be examined in "Ralston's Elements" and "Redford's History;" James W. McLaurin, Thos. S. West, to be examined in "Redford's History;" Edward Hicks, Ralph Bradley, Robert Burnip.

Third Question. Who are discontinued?

Answer. Benjamin W. Aston.

Fourth Question. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer. Warren C. Black, in Elder's orders, to be examined in the studies of the fourth year; James J. Smylie, John W. Sandell, in Elder's orders, each to be examined in the studies of the third and fourth years; H. Walter Featherstun, admitted and elected to Elder's orders.

Fifth Question. Who are reädmitted?

Answer. Bascom T. Pearson, Thomas Price.

Sixth Question. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Answer. John W. Adkisson, from the Missouri Conference; Francis Walker and Josiah Bancroft, from the Alabama Conference.

Seventh Question. Who are the Deacons of one year?

Answer. John W. Hall, passed and elected to Elder's orders; Daniel G. W. Ellis, J. H. Holland, Thomas B. Walden, Hiram R. Singleton, James S. Parker, passed; George M. Gilmore, David P. Bradford, passed and continued in class of the third year.

Eighth Question. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?

Answer. None.

Ninth Question. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons

Answer. None.

Tenth Question. What local preachers are elected Deacons?

Answer. Albert T. Tidwell, Armistead R. Holcombe, William M. Jordan, Alex. L. McBryde.

Eleventh Question. What local preachers are ordained Deacons?

Answer. Albert T. Tidwell, Alex. L. McBryde, John N. Henry, Jesse Harper.

Twelfth Question. What traveling preachers are elected Elders?

Answer. Ulysses B. Phillips, Robert D. Norsworthy, and David A. Givens were passed and continued in class of the fourth year; James M. Weems, John W. Hall, and H. Walter Featherstun, passed and elected.

Thirteenth Question. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders?

Answer. James M. Weems, John W. Hall, H. Walter Featherstun.

Fourteenth Question. What local preachers are elected Elders?

Answer. Wm. Hoover, Moses H. Lack, Wm. Wood, Irvin Miller.

Fifteenth Question. What local preachers are ordained Elders?

Answer. William Wood, Irvin Miller.

Sixteenth Question. Who have located this year?

Answer. J. O. Napier, E. J. Taylor, P. H. Napier, W. Harrington, J. B. Bowen, J. W. Harmon.

Seventeenth Question. Who are supernumerary?

Answer. J. W. Adams, A. Y. Davis, J. K. Hamblen, G. T. Vickers, J. N. Williams, Wm. Spillman, H. P. Bowen.

Eighteenth Question. Who are superannuated?

Answer. A. Day, J. G. Jones, T. Clinton, B. Pipkin, J. B. Higginbotham, W. Finn, H. Copeland, L. Pearce, J. Long, W. McCormick, J. McKay.

Nineteenth Question. What preachers have died during the year?

Answer. John D. Willis, John G. Deskin.

OBITUARIES.

Rev. John D. Willis, late of the Mississippi Conference, was born in Monroe county, Georgia, Dec. 31, 1824. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Parks, of the same county, in 1844, and moved to Alabama in 1847, and from thence to Newton county, Mississippi, in 1852. Up to this date he had been an alien from God and a stranger to grace; but in 1854, under the pastoral labors of Rev. Edwin Mortimer, he was awakened, converted, and became a member of the Church. He soon admitted that he was called of God to preach to others that gospel which had been the power of God in his own salvation. He was licensed to preach and admitted into the Mississippi Conference in 1855. For seventeen years he continued to labor among us as an obedient and diligent son in the gospel, filling a variety of appointments among both the white and the colored people. Previous to the close of the war a large portion of his time was appropriated to the colored churches and congregations in Jefferson county. Not always obtaining a competent support for his family from his pastoral charges, especially during and after the war, he was compelled to engage, occasionally, in secular pursuits, in order to supplement a deficient salary; but his obligations as a minister were promptly met, and his appointments regularly filled. His beloved and faithful wife having preceded him to the grave, and his three sons having become sufficiently grown up to support themselves, he was entering more fully into the work of the ministry than ever, when he was wholly disabled by a disease, of which he died. At our last Conference he was appointed to Covington Circuit, in one of the eastern parishes of Louisiana. He went immediately to his Circuit, and commenced his work, but soon had to desist on account of failing health. He then repaired to Newton county, Mississippi, where he had some near relatives, whom he knew would tenderly care for him in his extreme feebleness. He lingered until Aug. 16, 1873, when he fell asleep in Jesus. His disease was chronic diarrhea, which, while it reduced his body to perfect weakness, did not enfeeble nor derange his mind; so that his descent to the tomb was most triumphant. He seemed to have the most impressive views of the justice, mercy, and love of God. For weeks before his death he seemed to "dwell in God, and God in him." He triumphantly told his relatives and visiting brethren that he enjoyed the most perfect assurance of his acceptance with Christ and of his future glory. He diligently exhorted all who visited him during his protracted illness to seek their happiness in God and lay up their treasure in heaven. He died at the residence of his brother-in-law, E. R. Moore, and, after being a wandering itinerant seventeen years, was buried within fifty yards of the place where he professed faith in Christ.

J. G. JONES.

Rev. John Greenberry Deskin was born in Tazewell county, Virginia, Feb. 21, 1799. He was married June 17, 1819, after which he lived a number of years in the State of Alabama. In the autumn of 1823 he attended a camp-meeting in Morgan county, Alabama, where he was awakened to feel the importance of leading a new life. He immediately committed himself as a seeker of salvation from the guilt, pollution, and power of sin by uniting with the Church. After taking this initiatory step, his conviction of sin became so deep, pungent, and overwhelming that speedy deliverance from its pollution, oppressive guilt, and intol-

erable burden was, with him, a matter of imperious necessity. He turned his whole attention in that direction. He wept and prayed day and night for immediate deliverance from sin's oppressive power; and before the close of the meeting he was clearly and satisfactorily converted. He returned home a new creature in Christ Jesus — established the usual forms of family religion in his household, attended all the private and public means of grace, and soon began to take an active part in the social meetings of the Church. Strange and unlooked-for impressions were soon made upon his heart and intruded themselves into all his thoughts. Could it be possible that he was moved by the Holy Ghost to preach the gospel? How could it be, when, in his own estimation, he had none of the qualifications, either natural or acquired, for such a work. He tried to forget and banish all such impressions from his mind, and suffered much spiritual loss by the effort; but, alarmed at the thought of his long delinquency and hesitation, in Sept., 1832, he consented to receive license to exhort. He succeeded better than his fears indicated, and was happy in his new employment. His talent as a public speaker began to be developed, so that in a short time he was licensed as a local preacher, which relation he actively sustained until 1837. In 1835 he removed to Yallobusha county, Mississippi, where he settled, and divided his time between farming, teaching school, and preaching among the new settlers. In the meantime, he had become quite an effective preacher; but his mind was not at rest. He felt that his providential place was in the itineracy, and, accordingly, applied for membership in the Mississippi Conference, and was admitted in Dec., 1837. For twenty-three years he was an acceptable, zealous, and useful laborer in the central parts of Mississippi. In that time he traveled eleven different Circuits and two Missions, and nearly half of them for the entire pastoral term of two years. His work lay entirely in the Choctaw Purchase, so that he was familiar with new settlements, long rides, bridgeless streams, log churches, and all the usual inconveniences of a new country; but he was doing the work of an evangelist, and he faltered not. He was instrumental in bringing many sinners to Christ and in adding many members to the Church. When he was about sixty-two years of age he was so worn down by incessant labor that he was no longer able to do effective work, and was cordially reported on the superannuated roll by his brethren. This relation he sustained until his death, which occurred at the residence of his son, in Yazoo county, Sept. 5, 1873, in the seventy-fifth year of his age and thirty-ninth of his ministry. He was noted for his quiet and inoffensive life. He was warm-hearted and affectionate among the people of his charge. His educational and theological attainments were not above mediocrity, but he was a good expositor of the word of God, and dealt faithfully with all who sat under his ministry. His declining years were years of increasing mellowness and meekness of spirit. He thought less and less of earth and more intensely and constantly of heaven, until, finally, his pilgrimage ended, and his sun went down like a cloud.

J. G. JONES.

Twentieth Question. Are all the preachers blameless in their lives and official administration?

Answer. Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Twenty-first Question. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Answer. (See statistical tables, pages 23–32.)

Twenty second Question. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Answer. 1,116.

Twenty-third Question. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Answer. 1,180.

Twenty-fourth Question. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

Answer. 185.

Twenty-fifth Question. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

Answer. 1,184.

Twenty-sixth Question. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

Answer. 7,319.

Twenty-seventh Question. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Answer. $4,200.

Twenty-eighth Question. What has been collected on the foregoing, and how has it been applied?

Answer. $1,958 30. Applied as follows—viz.:

Apportionment of the Funds.

NAMES.	TO WHOM GIVEN.	AMOUNTS.
Mrs. Vernon Johnson	P. A. Johnson	$95 40
Mrs. Dawson and child	Dr. Watkins	78 80
Mrs. Thompson and five children	D. W. Ellis	145 20
Thomas Clinton and wife	A. B. Nicholson	93 30
Mrs. D. Wiggins and child	H. H. Montgomery	78 80
Mrs. W. W. Drake and three children	W. L. C. Hunnicutt	56 00
Mrs. Berry and children	John Ritchey	56 00
Mrs. R. J. Jones and children	J. H. Holland	56 00
Jesse McKay and child	F. M. Williams	70 50
Mrs. L. R. Redding and children	C. Chamberlin	178 40
Mrs. L. Campbell	C. G. Andrews	67 20
Mrs. P. Cooper	H. H. Montgomery	31 10
James Long and wife	J. H. Holland	93 30
Carried forward		$1100 00

NAMES.	TO WHOM GIVEN.	AMOUNTS.
Brought forward		$1100 00
J. B. Higginbotham	Self	62 20
Mrs. D. Johnson	Thomas Reed	62 20
Mrs. B. M. Drake	W. L. C. Hunnicutt	62 20
Mrs. Haney	A. B. Nicholson	62 20
Mrs. Herbert	J. A. B. Jones	31 10
William McCormick and wife	J. H. Holland	62 20
Rev. J. G. Jones and wife	Self	93 30
Rev. B. Pipkins and wife	A. B. Nicholson	93 30
Mrs. Thomas Nixon	J. J. Smylie	62 20
William Finn and wife	W. H. Watkins	124 00
Robert Lambuth's child		16 60
Brother Massey	H. H. Montgomery	33 20
Miss Nannie Wadsworth	W. E. M. Linfield	16 60
Peter Green's two children	George Nicholson	33 20
Brother Sims's children	E. W. Simmons	32 00
		$1946 50
Surplus		11 80
		$1958 30

Twenty-ninth Question. What has been contributed for Missions?
Answer. $1,847 80.

Thirtieth Question. Where shall the next Conference be held?
Answer. At Hazlehurst, Mississippi.

Report of Committee on Sunday-schools.

The Committee on Sunday-schools beg leave to report that we are gratified at the continued interest manifested in the importance and efficiency of this powerful agency of the Church. This is emphatically an age of Sunday-schools. All religious denominations are bending their energies toward increasing its usefulness and extending its field of labor. Men are giving their whole lives to this work. Time and money and talents are being liberally expended, and they will succeed best in winning souls to Christ who most thoroughly develop and promote the religious instruction of children. It has been truthfully stated that more has been done in the conversion of the world within the last century than was accomplished in the first ten centuries of the Christian era. This, we say, has been greatly owing to the increased attention given to the gospel-training of the young. In this great and important work the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is not behind the foremost. Our Sunday-school literature is not excelled, and we take pleasure in noting its general and favorable use throughout our wide connection. This is right and proper. Our own literature should be used in preference to, and to the exclusion of, any other, if we would retain our children in the Church and prepare them for the grand mission God has committed to our charge. The *Sunday-school Magazine* is a valuable aid to the teacher, and is liberally patronized.

The *Sunday-school Visitor*, *Our Little People*, and the *Lesson Papers* have done a noble work, and demand our most earnest commendation and support. But, while these possess great excellency, the committee must be allowed to say that we need something additional, specially adapted to the little children. *Our Little People* does not meet the necessity, nor does any of the catechetical literature published by our Church. A Catechism that will combine great simplicity and brevity, suitable for the infant-classes, is demanded; and we trust that some one, capacitated for such a work, may be raised up by God to make this contribution to his holy cause. In this connection we would also express regret that our Catechisms, than which there are none better published, have largely fallen into disuse since the introduction of our system of Uniform Lessons. This should not be. They were not designed to conflict, and if the one is to exclude the other, the interests of the Church must suffer thereby.

The committee cannot too highly commend the wholesome, evangelical books that have been recently issued, for our Sunday-school libraries, under the editorial supervision of our Secretary, the Rev. A. G. Haygood, D.D. His untiring energy and eminent ability in this department call forth the gratitude of the whole Church. "The Life of John Kitto," "The Huguenots," "Fred Brenning," and others, are books of rare excellence that will furnish rich food for the young and instruction and encouragement to the old. During the past year the Secretary has also edited another music-book—"The Gem"—with patent notes, which has met a felt want. Containing many of our richest hymns, historic in the triumphs of Methodism, it will serve to prepare our children for that holy and inspiring part of religious worship, congregational singing.

In addition to the foregoing, we offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That to secure the more thorough acquaintance of the children with the doctrines and polity of our Church, we urge it upon pastors and superintendents to have the Discipline taught in the Sunday-school.
2. *Resolved*, That we memorialize the next General Conference to define more clearly the mode of electing superintendents of Sunday-schools.
3. *Resolved*, That as an aid to officers and teachers, we recommend the organization of weekly teachers'-meetings in every Sunday-school wherever practicable.
4. *Resolved*, That the preachers in charge, together with the Quarterly Conferences and superintendents, see that none other than our own books and papers be used in our Sabbath-schools.

C. B. GALLOWAY, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

The Committee on Bible Cause beg leave to report that they consider the publication and distribution of the Holy Scriptures paramount to the dissemination of all other literature; that the word of God, through Christ Jesus, is the light of the world—the power of God unto salvation—the only infallible text-book of true theology, and the sufficient rule of Christian faith and practice; that the Bible ought to be placed in the hands of every individual in all nations, nor should the Church abate her efforts until this is accomplished. We rejoice to know of the renewed efforts of the South-western Bible Society to furnish every family with a Bible and every child that can read with a New Testament. This work has been commenced and carried forward very successfully in several counties

within the bounds of this Conference by the very efficient means of systematic colportage. We recommend the reädoption of the resolutions of our last Conference upon this subject—to wit:

1. *Resolved*, That we heartily coöperate with the South-western Bible Society in the distribution of the Holy Scriptures in the several fields assigned us.
2. *Resolved*, That we recommend to the people in our several charges and Districts the adoption of the plan of the Board of the South-western Bible Society for the distribution of the word of God, and that we will aid them in their sacred work.

Respectfully submitted. JAS. A. GODFREY, *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on Education.

The committee appointed to consider the subject of Education offer the following report:

Profoundly convinced, as we have long been, of the paramount influence of education in shaping the destinies of individuals and of nations, we are more than ever impressed with the urgent necessity that an agency so powerful for good or for evil should be leavened and controlled by the Church of God. Through education alone may we direct the thoughts, guide the conduct, and mold the characters of men. In its broadest sense it is the most potent of all human agencies in determining the temporal and eternal destinies of mankind. Education may be regarded as domestic, scholastic, and ecclesiastical. The family circle, the schoolroom, and the Church are the three places in which we receive the best or the worst impressions of our lives. If in either place the instructions be defective or erroneous, character is marred, distorted, or debased; but where all three contribute their highest excellences in harmonious proportion to the formation of a human character we have that sort of a Christian which has been aptly termed "the highest style of man."

Of the three educational agencies which we have mentioned the Church is the highest, and should exercise a proper supervision and control over the other two. Remarking, by the way, that our ministers should never forget that they are largely responsible for the promotion and maintenance of wholesome Christian training in the families under their charge, we proceed to notice that part of education which is strictly scholastic.

Viewing the myriads of the rising generation in their busy preparation for the stages of life, we inquire in our minds what part each shall there perform. Of course, the part for which each one is being trained. What part that is the textbooks and the teachers of our schools alone can show. In them we shall find clews to the lives of the generations that shall follow us. What shall be taught in our schools and who shall be the teachers are questions of the highest importance. Summarily rejecting, as false in itself and pernicious in effect, the idea that a proper education consists in a mere development of the physical and mental capacities of our being, we believe that in its best and only true sense it includes such training and indoctrination as can come only from a source exterior to and above the subject of its operations. We may grow from within, but we are fed from without. The mind must not only expand its native powers, but must feed on the manna of heavenly truth, if it become ennobled and exalted in its character.

Mere intellectual strength, without moral guidance, has been oftener employed for evil than for good. That education which ignores our relations to eternity is far more dangerous than the deepest ignorance. It proceeds upon a false view of life, and leads to disappointment and ruin in its result. That it is the duty of the Church to supervise and control scholastic education is seen most clearly in the fact that the teachings of the schools either powerfully aid or greatly hinder the efficacy of those heavenly doctrines which are taught from the sacred desk. The Church that does most of the education of the children will be most apt to control them in after years. Imbued with a lively sense of the truth and force of these sentiments, we turn to survey the status of Methodism in the Mississippi Conference in relation to this important branch of her legitimate operations. We are gratified to find our territory dotted with schools and colleges of every grade, prepared to impart that Christian education which the Church rejoices to afford to her sons and daughters.

Centenary College, at Jackson, La., the joint property of the Louisiana and Mississippi Conferences, under the presidency of Rev. C. G. Andrews, assisted by an able corps of professors, closed a prosperous year with a brilliant Commencement last July, and has entered upon another that promises to be equally successful. We recommend that Rev. C. G. Andrews be continued as president.

Millwood Female Institute, at the same place, though not the property of the Conference, is conducted by that able and experienced educator, Rev. John C. Miller, in the interests of Christianity; so that at the beautiful and healthful village of Jackson, La., parents may find ample facilities for educating their sons and daughters at institutions of high grade and Christian character.

Whitworth Female College, at Brookhaven, Miss., under the presidency of Rev. H. F. Johnson, assisted by proficient teachers in the various departments, has had uninterrupted prosperity for several years, and still grows in public favor. The self-sacrificing expenditures of the president in adding to and repairing the buildings of the institution, which is the property of this Conference, should be highly appreciated by the Church. The institution needs an endowment. We recommend that Rev. H. F. Johnson be continued as president, and that he be authorized to raise an endowment-fund in accordance with a plan approved by the Board of Trustees of this institution.

Port Gibson Collegiate Academy, likewise the property of this Conference, was during the last year under the control of Mr. R. S. Ricketts, who has resigned the presidency of the institution. His place has not been filled. This property having been leased for a number of years to Rev. B. Jones, he has been recently, we are credibly informed, relieved of the obligation of said lease by a verbal contract, which is expected to be consummated in writing at an early day. We recommend that the Presiding Elder of the District embracing this academy be requested and authorized to act as agent for this institution. It is highly important that this valuable property should be employed in promoting the interests of education, under the direction of this Conference.

Sharon Female College, owned and controlled by this body, has been for the last year under the presidency of Rev. W. S. Wingfield. The boarding department having been burned some years since, the school has not been so large as it

was in former years. The president, we understand, does not expect to continue in the institution. This property, too, should be utilized in the service of the Church.

East Mississippi Female College, located at Meridian, has been doing a good work for so young an institution, under the presidency of Rev. J. W. Adkisson. We recommend that he be continued as president of the college. The property of the college, estimated to be worth eight or nine thousand dollars, is liable for a debt of about sixteen hundred dollars, which, if not liquidated, may seriously embarrass its operations. The Board of Trustees earnestly ask, and we heartily recommend, the appointment of Rev. J. A. Ellis as agent for the college.

All these institutions are, we are glad to say, subservient to the cause of Christianity and of Methodism in our midst; and many others might and ought to be brought into the great work of promoting Christian education in these lands. We heartily commend all these institutions to the patronage and support of our people. In consideration of the foregoing facts, and in view of all the high interests involved, we offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That as Methodists it is our duty, as well as our high privilege, to patronize our own institutions of learning.
2. *Resolved*, That we recommend the establishment in every District of this Conference, and under the supervision of the several District Conferences, at least one high-school for boys and girls.
3. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of the Presiding Elders and traveling preachers of this Conference to aid and encourage the candidates for orders to pursue with all possible diligence that incomparable course of study which has been prescribed by our Bishops.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature.

The Committee on Religious Literature ask leave to submit the following report:

We deem it unnecessary to embody in this report any account of the real and personal estate belonging to our publishing interests, either at Nashville or New Orleans, as that has been amply done by our efficient and accurate Agents. Our object is to call the attention of the Conference and the Church to the great importance of a more general circulation of our denominational literature. As a Church, we are determined that all our book, tract, and periodical literature shall be strictly scriptural; and if, at any time, any should be detected of an opposite character, it would immediately go out of print among the Methodists. Our religious literature has been the means of bringing multiplied thousands into communion with our Church and confirming them in our doctrines and Church polity. We cannot, then, look with indifference on this mighty agency for doing good. We must supply the members and patrons of our Church with sound religious literature, or they will be supplied from other sources which will corrupt them in doctrine and polity, and thereby alienate them and their children from us forever. We are evidently far behind our obligations and interests in the dissemination of our Church-literature. Our present plan of depending mainly on the preachers in charge of Circuits to see that the "people are duly supplied with books and periodicals" does not work efficiently—in many places it does not work at all. The old

lan must be reädjusted in some way, or it must be substituted by some new plan that will more fully accomplish our glorious object. Our statistics show that the present plan has not accomplished much in the Mississippi Conference for several years past. For the ecclesiastical year of 1871, $1,763 05 worth of books were sold in our Conference, and in the following year only $708 25 worth, while more than half of the pastoral charges report none sold; and we fear when the reports of this year are summed up they will show a similar, if not worse, failure. We are not inclined to blame the preachers. The fault is in the plan and the paralyzing circumstances with which it is surrounded. The wisdom of the Church must strike out a new course; a more efficient plan must be elaborated. Perhaps it may be best to have some additional legislation on the subject; but your committee do not see that this is really necessary. Let us go to work as we are, and we can soon supply the demand for our religious literature. We see no impropriety in encouraging special agents, whether laymen, local preachers, or partially disabled itinerant preachers, to engage in spreading our denominational literature all over the land. A man with a horse and buggy might begin with a small capital, and, by well-directed industry, turn his capital over four or five times a year, so as to make a handsome profit for himself while conferring a great benefit on the Church and country; but we confess our favorite plan is to disseminate our Church-literature through our Church-conferences. Let each Church-conference take upon itself the task of furnishing its own community with our literature. This can be done by raising a small capital for this purpose, purchasing books at wholesale prices, and selling them at retail, so as to get the capital back for another investment. We do not see why, with prudent management, a capital of twenty-five dollars might not be made to supply a community perpetually with our books. Of course, each of these plans should be conducted on the cash system, and should receive the earnest coöperation of the preachers in charge, for it would still be their duty to see that all their people are well supplied with our literature. Your committee are delighted with the plan of Dr. Redford for relieving our Publishing House of its present embarrassment. A few of our preachers, perhaps, cannot comply, and others will not, may be, but we confidently expect a sufficient number will to relieve the Publishing House; but the relief, as greatly as we desire it, is, in our estimation, of minor importance when compared to the vast amount of intellectual and spiritual good that will be accomplished by the dissemination of one hundred thousand dollars' worth of our literature over our broad territory. The good to be done on both sides of the question by this movement is incalculable. We recommend our Conference to coöperate heartily with our sister Conferences in this enterprise.

We rejoice to learn from the publisher and editor of our adopted organ, the *New Orleans Christian Advocate*, that it is in a prosperous condition; but its circulation ought to be increased to at least fifteen thousand paying subscribers within the next year. The interests of the Church require it, and justice to the editor and publisher demands it. Hitherto they have performed their respective parts in this enterprise as a work of love, without pecuniary compensation, having to depend mainly on other sources of support. This ought not so to be. The patronizing Conferences should see that the subscription-list is so increased as to pay our publisher and editor a just compensation for their labors. As a Conference

we should neither ignore nor neglect the claims of our great central Church-organ, the *Nashville Christian Advocate*. It is worthy of our warmest patronage. If there is a better family and Church paper extant it has not come under our observation. Many of the noble sons and daughters of Tennessee and Kentucky soil live within our Conference-bounds. Could they be made acquainted with the *Nashville Christian Advocate*, they would be delighted to read it for the sake of hearing from their former homes and friends. Let us introduce it wherever we can.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we will each use our best endeavors to sell one hundred dollars' worth of our own publications, as soon as may be, to relieve our Publishing House of its present embarrassment.

2. *Resolved*, That we will use our best efforts, during the incoming year, to increase the circulation of our adopted paper, the *New Orleans Christian Advocate*, so that its income may compensate the publisher and editor for their diligent and highly appreciated services.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. G. JONES, *Chairman.*

Report of Joint Board of Finance.

The Joint Board of Finance beg leave to report that to meet the claims of Bishops we need $1,450. Our receipts on this account are $1,500. Excess above assessment, $50. We have estimated the amount necessary to meet the claims on Conference funds at $4,200. We received on the above account, and distributed according to report herewith submitted, $1,958 30. Deficiency, $2,241 70. From the best information we can obtain, we estimate the amounts necessary to meet the claims upon this Conference the ensuing year, for the Conference collection, $5,000, and for the Bishops, $1,450; and we distribute the amounts among the Districts as follows:

	Bishops.	*Conf. Collect'n.*
Vicksburg District	$225 00	$850 00
Jackson District	290 00	960 00
Brandon District	150 00	350 00
Brookhaven District	225 00	720 00
Woodville District	200 00	720 00
Sea-shore District	95 00	300 00
Meridian District	220 00	600 00
Summit District	95 00	300 00

The Joint Board is of opinion that the point of most importance in the economy of the Church is the full support of the preachers. That this may be done, each preacher in charge should study and live in reference thereto. Others may be to blame, but if the members of our Conference would believe themselves to blame for the deficiencies, and from this time would so pray, live, and labor that the people everywhere should be made to see that their whole body, soul, and spirit were sanctified to the cause of Christ, the blessing of God would enable us to meet our obligations. We recommend that the members of our Conference never go in debt; that they never leave a charge without making satisfactory arrangements to meet every claim; if they cannot pay cash, to live on half rations

rather than go in debt; that they learn to ask the people for a support for themselves as they ask for other contributions for the Church; that the Presiding Elders take the collections for the Bishops; that preachers in charge take the Conference collection in the month of April, and Missionary collection in the month of October; that the manner of raising the allowance for the Presiding Elder and preacher in charge, and the Conference collections, be left to the Church-conferences; and that the preachers, in connection with the stewards, endeavor everywhere to inaugurate a system looking not alone to the present, but also to the development of the resources of benevolence in the future.

Resolved, That we memorialize the General Conference to strike from our Discipline, page 152, chapter 9, section 5, clause 7, all after the word "final."

B. JONES, *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on Temperance.

We, the committee to whom the cause of Temperance was referred, beg leave to submit the following report:

Temperance, being one of the Christian graces set forth by St. Paul, is worthy of our special consideration. Intemperance, being a social vice fed by social influences, has to be met, if met successfully, by alike social influences. Hence the importance of an earnest coöperation of the Church with the social temperance organization. The use of ardent spirits as a beverage has become alarming among the young men of our country, and we think it is high time that the Church was fully alive to this great subject. Therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That the ministers and pastors of the several charges be recommended to bring this matter before their congregations at an early period, and teach from the *pulpit* the great danger of such a course in life.

2. *Resolved*, That while we know that the Discipline of our Church fully and emphatically forbids the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, we recommend our preachers and people everywhere to discountenance its use and encourage all legitimate efforts that look to the discontinuance of the terrible evil in the land.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. R. HOLLOMAN, *Sec'y.*
H. R. SINGLETON.

Delegates to the General Conference.

Clerical.—C. G. Andrews, H. F. Johnson, H. H. Montgomery, W. E. M. Linfield, J. T. Heard. *Reserves*—W. H. Watkins, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, W. B. Hines.

Lay Members.—W. L. Nugent, J. E. Jagers, A. G. Mayers, Thos. Christian, J. H. Thompson. *Reserves*—E. C. Postell, Irvin Miller, L. K. Barber, George Nicholson, S. B. Watts.

Missionary Collections and Disbursements to be Reported.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Missionary Board be instructed to report to Conference the amounts collected and disbursed during the year, and that this report be published in the Minutes.

[Signed.] H. F. JOHNSON.

Against the Extension of the Term of the Pastorate.

Resolved, That our Delegates to the General Conference be instructed to use their influence to prevent the extension of the term of the pastorate.

[Signed.] B. JONES,
J. L. FORSYTH,
F. M. FEATHERSTUN.

Enlargement of Course of Study.

Resolved, That our College of Bishops be requested to enlarge the course of study, especially for young men who have not had the advantage of a classical education.

[Signed.] E. C. POSTELL.

Traveling Expenses of Delegates to General Conference.

Resolved, That each preacher be instructed to take up a collection during the months of March and April to defray the traveling expenses of the Delegates to the General Conference, and that they report and forward the funds to the Delegate most convenient to them.

[Signed.] W. W. HURST.

Missionaries to Report Labors and State of Mission.

W. L. C. Hunnicutt, Secretary, reported a resolution, passed by the Missionary Board, that hereafter no draft shall be accepted or paid by the Treasurer of the Board until a satisfactory report shall have been made of the labors of the missionary and the state of the mission in behalf of which the allowance shall have been made.

Joint Board of Finance.

Clerical.—B. Jones, W. C. Black, C. Chamberlin, J. A. Ellis, J. A. Godfrey, H. P. Lewis, C. McDonald, W. B. Lewis.

Laymen.—I. N. Applewhite, W. L. Nugent, I. V. Enochs, T. P. Bell, J. H. Hines, George Nicholson, W. M. Thornton, Thomas Reed.

Visiting Committees.

Centenary College.—W. E. M. Linfield, H. R. Singleton, John T. Cameron, A. B. Nicholson, E. C. Postell.

Port Gibson Collegiate Academy.—W. L. C. Hunnicutt, J. J. Smylie, W. B. Lewis.

Whitworth Female College.—W. E. M. Linfield, J. Bancroft, J. T. Heard, W. L. Nugent, F. D. Wimberly, E. H. Mounger, C. Chamberlin, C. B. Galloway Thomas Reed, Ben. Jones.

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.—R. J. Jones, I. Miller, W. B. Phillips.

MILLWOOD FEMALE INSTITUTE.—C. G. Andrews, L. K. Barber, J. A. Godfrey, J. E. Jagers.

EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR MISSIONARY PURPOSES

Was resolved to be raised during the coming year, by using our very best endeavors.

[Signed.] W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

FOR ADMISSION.—W. B. Hines, A. Day, Joseph Nicholson.
FIRST YEAR.—W. L. C. Hunnicutt, W. B. Lewis, E. R. Strickland.
SECOND YEAR.—B. Jones, H. J. Harris, W. H. Leith.
THIRD YEAR.—C. Chamberlin, J. A. Ellis, W. E. Ballard.
FOURTH YEAR.—J. T. Heard, H. F. Johnson, W. H. Watkins.

INSTRUCTION TO UNDERGRADUATES.

1. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the minister stationed at the seat of our next Conference to provide rooms for the sessions of the Examining Committees.

2. *Resolved*, That the committees and undergraduates shall meet Tuesday morning before the session of the Conference, and that if any undergraduate fails to meet his committee at the time appointed he shall not be entitled to an examination, except by special order of the Conference, upon good excuse rendered for non-attendance.

3. *Resolved*, That if any committeeman fails to attend he shall be liable to censure by the Conference.

4. *Resolved*, That the Presiding Elders be instructed to inform the undergraduates and committeemen in their Districts of these requirements.

COMPLIMENTARY RESOLUTIONS

Were adopted as follows—viz.:

1. *Resolved*, That we are more than ordinarily grateful to the citizens of Brandon and vicinity for their noble and generous hospitality in entertaining this Conference for two consecutive sessions; and, farther, that we join with this good people in expressions of gratitude to God for the delightful weather with which he has favored them, affording our generous friends the opportunity to enjoy the various exercises of the Conference; and we pray God's blessing on them all.

2. *Resolved*, That we acknowledge, heartily, the courtesy of the Presbyterian brethren in tendering for our use their house of worship, and also the officers in charge of the court-house for its use.

3. *Resolved*, That we return thanks to the several railroad companies, steamboat officers, and all proprietors of public transportation, for favors extended to the members of this Conference.

4. *Resolved*, That Col. A. J. Frantz, editor of the *Brandon Republican*, has placed the Conference under special obligations for his kindness in publishing the daily proceedings of the Conference and furnishing copies of the same to the members.

[Signed.] H. J. HARRIS, and others.

Appointments of the Preachers.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Henderson H. Montgomery, P. E.

Jackson, Charles B. Galloway.
Brownsville, James M. Weems.
Madison, Warren C. Black, one to be supplied.
Canton, Ransom J. Jones.
Sharon, Albert T. Tidwell, John W. Adams, Sup.
Thomastown, to be supplied, James K. Hamblen, Sup.
Camden, Ralph Bradley, Allen Y. Davis, Sup.
Carthage, Oliver H. P. Davis, one to be supplied.
Mt. Olivet, John W. Hall, one to be supplied.
Dover, David W. Dillehay.
{ Yazoo City, Robert D. Norsworthy.
{ Silver Creek Mission, to be supplied.
Yazoo Circuit, John W. Ellison.
Missionary to China, Jas. W. Lambuth.
Special Agent of the Publishing House, R. Abbey.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Francis M. Featherstun, P. E.

Vicksburg, Josiah Bancroft.
Grove-street, James J. Smylie.
North Warren, Ira B. Robertson, Thos. B. Holloman.
Sunflower Mission, James S. Harris.
South Warren, Daniel A. J. Parker.
Cayuga, Franklin W. Sharbrough.
Rocky Springs, John A. B. Jones.
Port Gibson, Wm. Bryant Lewis.
Fayette, James H. Shelton, Clarence A. Powell.
Kingston, Hiram R. Singleton.
Natchez, Wm. L. C. Hunnicutt.
Clover Hill, Thomas B. Walden.
Rolling Fork, Andrew B. Stewart.

WOODVILLE DISTRICT.

James L. Forsyth, P. E.

Woodville, Wm. H. Watkins.
Wilkinson, Parmenas Howard.
Amité, John W. Ritchey.
Buffalo, James S. Parker.
Bayou Sara, Daniel C. Langford.
Jackson, La., C. G. Andrews.
East Feliciana, James A. Godfrey.
Pipkin's Chapel, Robert B. Downer.
Clinton, La., Alexander M. Campbell.
East Baton Rouge, Newton B. Young.
Meadville, Ephraim A. Flowers.
Homochitto Mission, Philip S. Petty.
Centenary College, C. G. Andrews, President.

SUMMIT DISTRICT.

Archibald B. Nicholson, P. E.

Summit, Archibald B. Nicholson.
{ Holmesville, H. P. Lewis.
{ McComb City Mission, Erastus R. Strickland.
St. Helena, Calvin C. Watkins.
Greensburg, David P. Bradford.
Union, Thomas Price, one to be supplied.
Covington, Lewis R. Featherstun, Geo. T. Vickers, Sup.
Franklinton, Epaphroditus W. Simmons.
Big Creek, Seaborn R. Hyde.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Wm. E. M. Linfield, P. E.

Brookhaven, H. Walter Featherstun.
Bogue Chitto Mission, John W. Sandell.
Scotland, William Wadsworth.
Brandywine, Columbus W. Campbell.
{ Crystal Springs, Wm. E. Ballard, Henry P. Bowen, Sup.
{ Terry, Henry J. Harris.
Hazlehurst, Corydon Chamberlin.
Zion, Elisha F. Mullins.
Georgetown, Bascom T. Pearson.
Providence, Pinckney A. Johnson.
Raymond, George F. Thompson.
Beauregard, Edwin H. Mounger.
Monticello, John J. Clark.
Whitworth College, H. F. Johnson, President.

BRANDON DISTRICT.

Francis M. Williams, P. E.

Brandon Station, Wm. H. Leith.
Fannin, Walter W. Hurst.
Garlandsville, Thomas S. West.
Raleigh, Robert A. Sibley.
Trenton, John Evans.
Morton, Claiborne McDonald, James N. Williams, Sup.
Philadelphia, John A. Vance.
Hillsboro, George W. Chatfield.
Walnut Grove, Joseph B. K. Smith.
Centerville, Levi P. Meador.
Forest and Lake, John D. Hays.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Wm. B. Hines, P. E.

Meridian Station, Joshua T. Heard.
DeKalb, to be supplied.
Clarke, Francis Walker.
Spring Hill, Daniel G. W. Ellis.
Toomsuba and Marion, John C. Brogan, Alex. L. McBryde.
Enterprise Station, Ulysses B. Phillips, Wm. Spillman, Sup.
Enterprise, Thomas Y. Armstrong.
De Soto, George M. Gilmore.
Quitman and Stonewall, James Shanks.
Shubuta, James M. Gann.
Waynesboro, James McLaurin.
Wayne, Duncan A. Little.
Paulding, Jacob H. Holland.
East Mississippi Female College, John W. Adkisson, President; John A. Ellis, Agent.

SEA-SHORE DISTRICT.

Chas. F. Gillespie, P. E.

Mt. Carmel, Henry Moore.
Rankin, Louis Kendall.
Columbia, Charles R. Benson.
Pearlington, David A. Givens.
Ocean Springs, Joseph Nicholson.
White Plains, Joseph W. Hall.
Enon, David Merchant.
East Pascagoula, Benjamin Jones.
Chickasaha and Green Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Davidson).
Taylorville Mission, Lyman Carley.

TRANSFERRED.

J. M. Mitchell, to the North Mississippi Conference.

Edward Hicks, to the St. Louis Conference.

W. J. Bullivant and Robert Burnip, to the Illinois Conference.

STATISTICS

OF THE

MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION, 1873.

JACKSON DISTRICT. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH. White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Ex-pended.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No. of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Jackson Station	184	...	1	10	15	1	25	108	1500	.....	100	$145 11	1	400	$1100	1	$3500	Lot.	$50 00
Brownsville	193	...	1	1	6	3	25	154	250	.....	80	265 00	3	800	6000	.....	.....	Lot.	300 00
Madison	93	...	2	5	1	2	8	55	300	.....	14	25 00	4	1150	6500	1	1000	.....	.....
Canton Station	146	...	...	6	5	1	19	109	462	.....	60	59 33	1	350	6000	1	2000	.....	1000 00
Sharon	167	...	4	...	3	1	18	90	300	.....	17	.....	...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs	136	...	1	3	...	2	6	40	50	.....	12	.....	2	600	700	...	.....	.....	.....
Camden	103	...	...	10	5	2	12	45	100	.....	14	4 50	2	550	4270	...	.....	.....	.....
Thomastown	86	...	2	14	22	2	8	40	50	.....	...	.....	3	460	700	...	.....	.....	.....
Carthage	339	...	4	31	14	...	...	...	.....	.....	15	650 00	6	1500	2600	...	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Olivet	247	...	4	45	36	4	14	125	.....	.....	45	32 90	2	500	3500	1	1200	Lot.	75 00
Dover	160	...	1	18	15	2	4	28	24	.....	...	10 00	3	500	3000	1	400	.....	.....
Yazoo City Station	140	...	...	10	5	1	12	67	400	.....	50	40 00	1	350	8000	1	2500	Lot.	1000 00
Yazoo	351	...	3	36	32	5	38	148	240	.....	58	47 00	4	1000	6000	...	.....	.....	75 00
Total	2345	...	23	189	159	26	189	1009	3676	.....	465	$1278 84	32	8160	$58270	6	$10600	.....	$2490 00

JACKSON DISTRICT. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS. Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	BOOKS. Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	STEWARDS ON FINANCE. Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.
Jackson Station	$40 00	$62 50	$20 00	...	.....	.....	$623 45	.....	.....	$200 00	$200 00	.....	$1500 00	$1210 00	.....
Brownsville	30 00	70 00	100 00	...	$10	.....	.....	$100 00	181	175 00	153 00	.....	800 00	689 45	.....
Madison	20 20	15 00	21 70	...	10	.....	128 00	.....	102	100 00	85 00	.....	750 00	450 00	.....
Canton Station	18 00	50 00	50 00	...	.....	$200	198 95	.....	250	200 00	153 85	.....	1200 00	923 20	.....
Sharon	11 50	7 05	17 75	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	75 00	58 50	.....	355 00	200 00	.....
Sulphur Springs	8 85	11 90	23 25	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	41	75 00	46 15	.....	450 00	276 95	.....
Camden	19 15	37 15	25 25	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	61 30	.....	750 00	596 45	.....
Thomastown	9 25	3 00	5 00	...	.....	.....	.....	8 00	12	50 00	22 25	.....	300 00	111 00	.....
Carthage	24 90	5 50	30 00	...	.....	.....	650 00	10 00	63	100 00	61 00	.....	415 00	196 75	.....
Mt. Olivet	30 00	50 00	75 00	...	.....	.....	16 00	11 90	.....	100 00	100 00	.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Dover	20 05	6 00	6 00	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	77	100 00	44 00	.....	650 00	409 00	.....
Yazoo City Station	30 00	54 55	40 00	...	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	85 00	.....	1000 00	101 50	.....
Yazoo	28 95	60 00	29 30	...	.....	.....	75 00	5 00	85	150 00	79 00	.....	750 00	374 25	.....
Total	$289 75	$330 65	$443 25	...	$30	$200	$1791 40	$134 90	864	$1500 00	$1149 05	.....	$10720 00	$6338 55	.....

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Vicksburg Station	199	...	1	..	3	1	24	95	1200	.....	50	$95 00	1	800	$12000	1	$6000	Lot.	$1000 00
Grove-street Church	49	...	1	2	10	1	8	65	.....	.....	...	100 00	1	225	5000	..	.....	.....	.....
North Warren	310	...	7	30	10	4	19	90	200	.....	40	40 00	3	550	3200	1	1000	Land.	50 00
Milldale and Sunflower	77	...	..	15	8	..	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
South Warren	106	...	1	2	3	2	8	35	100	.....	46	15 00	3	500	4600	..	.....	Lots.	300 00
Cayuga	275	...	2	5	8	3	15	150	.....	.....	...	18 00	4	.....	5300	..	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Springs	236	...	..	12	10	3	12	60	200	.....	...	35 00	3	850	3200	..	.....	.....	.....
Port Gibson Station	110	...	..	3	...	1	10	75	400	.....	30	20 00	1	550	1600	..	.....	Fund.	1060 00
Fayette	300	...	..	22	12	5	15	75	300	.....	52	36 00	5	1000	5000	1	1200	.....	500 00
Kingston	24	...	1	1	4	1	3	25	100	.....	4	19 00	1	200	5000	..	.....	.....	.....
Natchez Station	184	...	..	17	11	1	20	96	200	.....	30	50 00	1	400	25000	..	.....	2 lots.	2000 00
Clover Hill	50	...	..	...	3	..	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2	400	1000	..	.....	.....	.....
Rolling Fork	103	...	1	32	8	3	18	100	150	.....	...	84 00	..	.....	.....	..	.....	2 lots.	100 00
Total	2021	...	14	141	90	25	152	866	2850	.....	252	$510 00	25	5475	$85300	3	$8200	.....	$6010 00

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Vicksburg Station	$22 25	$38 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	$200 00	$132 00	.....	$1600 00	$1465 85	.....
Grove-street Church	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	420 00	420 00	.....
North Warren	40 00	91 30	$53 60	...	$20	.....	.....	$30 00	50	200 00	100 00	.....	700 00	473 00	.....
Milldale and Sunflower	30 20	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	48 56	.....	.....	60 00	.....
South Warren	29 05	16 00	16 00	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	100 00	75 00	.....	750 00	565 75	.....
Cayuga	.....	29 35	17 25	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	48 50	.....	700 00	339 40	.....
Rocky Springs	15 00	48 75	12 25	...	10	.....	.....	.....	16	100 00	79 90	.....	800 00	607 00	.....
Port Gibson Station	29 55	25 00	25 00	...	10	.....	.....	20 00	.....	200 00	101 00	.....	1500 00	1050 00	.....
Fayette	35 00	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	75 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingston	.....	.....	2 30	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	60 00	53 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Natchez Station	29 80	67 65	79 60	...	.....	$25	$1200 00	20 00	72	200 00	95 00	.....	600 00	328 00	.....
Clover Hill	26 30	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	150 00	151 00	.....	600 00	630 00	.....
Rolling Fork	10 70	2 00	2 00	...	10	.....	.....	42 25	48	150 00	27 55	.....	500 00	662 60	.....
Total	$161 85	$318 05	$208 00	...	$50	$25	$1200 00	$112 25	351	$1710 00	$987 01	.....	$8170 00	$6601 60	.....

WOODVILLE DISTRICT. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH. White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Ex-pended.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Woodville Station	116	...	...	1	9	1	9	48	200	.....	...	$6 00	1	200	$5000	1	$2500	.....	.....
Wilkinson	205	...	1	6	20	3	10	54	250	.....	...	15 00	5	1000	5000	1	1000	*	$1000
Amité	269	...	3	10	13	3	13	115	200	.....	3	34 50	3	1050	3100	..	.....	.....	.....
Buffalo	150	...	1	11	1	2	8	37	112	.....	20	12 50	5	500	3600	..	.....	.....	550
Bayou Sara	180	...	1	8	30	3	13	60	100	.....	25	.....	3	1050	2500	..	.....	.....	.....
Jackson, La	182	...	5	1	5	2	17	145	125	.....	...	25 44	2	600	6000	..	.....	†	200,000
East Feliciana	300	...	1	7	3	1	3	20	.....	.....	...	3 00	3	1000	7000	..	.....	.....	.....
Clinton, La	168	...	...	6	17	1	9	60	200	.....	...	12 75	3	800	9000	1	1800	.....	.....
East Baton Rouge	301	...	...	23	37	5	20	100	200	.....	4	.....	4	1000	2000	..	.....	.....	.....
Meadville	324	...	1	40	9	3	13	50	300	.....	50	15 00	4	600	1500	..	.....	.....	.....
Homochitto Mission	90	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	4	600	1000	..	.....	.....	.....
Total	2285	...	17	113	142	24	115	689	1682	.....	102	$124 19	37	8400	$45700	3	$5300	.....	$201,550

WOODVILLE DISTRICT. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS. Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	BOOKS. Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	STEWARDS ON FINANCE. Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.
Woodville Station	$50 00	$76 00	$70 00	...	....	.....	.....	.....	15	$150 00	$150 00	.....	$1200 00	$1200 00	.....
Wilkinson	20 00	20 00	12 00	...	....	.....	$25 00	.....	...	150 00	77 65	.....	800 00	391 35	.....
Amité	11 00	6 00	19 50	....	....	.....	.....	$14 00	74	100 00	75 00	.....	400 00	188 11	.....
Buffalo	2 50	20 50	12 00	...	$5	.....	.....	900 00	8	75 00	28 00	.....	500 00	204 70	.....
Bayou Sara	7 75	10 00	13 60	...	...	.....	.....	20 00	10	100 00	42 30	.....	525 00	279 00	.....
Jackson, La	25 00	65 00	35 75	...	...	.....	.....	.....	25	150 00	152 75	.....	600 00	272 25	.....
East Feliciana	25 00	15 00	10 00	...	...	.....	100 00	.....	20	125 00	39 50	.....	925 00	325 00	.....
Clinton, La	10 50	9 75	7 50	....	...	.....	150 00	.....	45	175 00	105 00	.....	1150 00	706 00	.....
East Baton Rouge	15 00	34 00	18 00	....	...	$16	.....	.....	2	100 00	100 00	.....	700 00	700 00	.....
Meadville	12 00	29 50	14 00	....	...	.....	.....	15 00	50	75 00	60 25	.....	400 00	350 75	.....
Homochitto Mission	.....	.....	.....	....	...	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	$178 75	$285 75	$212 35	...	$5	$16	$275 00	$949 00	249	$1200 00	$830 45	.....	$7200 00	$4617 16	.....

* Land. † Centenary College.

SUMMIT DISTRICT. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH. White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Ex-pended.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No. of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Summit	91	...	2	3	2	1	10	50	60	.....	20	$20 00	3	600	$3000	1	$1200	.....	.....
Holmesville	210	...	1	10	10	..	...	.....	100	.....	5	.....	4	1500	3500	..	.....	.....	.....
St. Helena	245	...	2	25	8	4	12	60	.....	.....	...	.....	5	600	5000	..	.....	.....	.....
Greensburg	260	...	2	10	19	1	6	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Amité City	123	...	..	5	4	2	12	100	280	.....	20	.....	2	900	3000	..	.....	.....	.....
Pontchatoula Mission	84	...	1	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2	400	700	..	.....	.....	.....
Covington	160	...	1	10	22	1	5	75	200	.....	40	.....	6	550	2500	..	.....	.....	.....
Franklinton	140	...	1	3	12	4	4	75	.....	.....	37	32 00	..	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Livingston Mission	84	...	2	3	20	1	5	15	36	.....	...	10 00	3	1000	1000	..	.....	.....	.....
Big Creek Mission	40	...	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	5	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Total	1437	...	12	69	97	14	54	375	676	.....	122	$62 00	30	5550	$18700	1	$1200	.....	.....

SUMMIT DISTRICT. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS. Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	BOOKS. Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	STEWARDS ON FINANCE. Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.
Summit	$12 10	$11 00	$7 35	.....	...	.....	$972 00	.....	30	$70	$40 55	.....	$700 00	$394 30	.....
Holmesville	15 00	38 80	35 00	.....	...	.....	.....	$10 00	32	75	70 00	.....	400 00	374 50	.....
St. Helena	15 00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	100	75	45 00	.....	350 00	200 00	.....
Greensburg	12 25	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	375 00	130 00	.....
Amité City	18 00	.....	2 35	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	18	55	37 00	.....	600 00	326 65	.....
Pontchatoula Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Covington	.....	.....	20	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	30	13 00	.....	250 00	70 00	.....
Franklinton	15 00	15 00	25 00	.....	...	.....	.....	125 00	52	75	60 00	.....	355 00	283 50	.....
Livingston Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	150 00	3	100	22 86	.....	550 00	143 65	.....
Big Creek Mission	2 50	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	10	30	25 00	.....	250 00	79 50	.....
Total	$89 85	$64 80	$69 90	.....	...	.....	$972 00	$285 00	245	$530	$253 41	.....	$3830 00	$2001 60	.....

BROOKHAVEN DIST. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH.					SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.							CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Expended.	No. of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g'e.	Value of Pars'n'g'e.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Brookhaven Station	120	...	2	7	...	1	15	125	500	.....	50	$100 00	1	350	$3500	1	$1700	College	$50000
Brookhaven Mission	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Bogue Chitto Mission	75	...	4	6	11	2	10	48	27	.....	20	19 00	4	800	2000	...	.....	.....	.....
Scotland	189	...	1	13	1	2	10	65	169	.....	...	16 00	5	1000	3000	...	.....	.....	.....
Brandywine	260	...	3	5	12	1	5	50	....	.....	...	12 00	3	.....	4000	...	.....	.....	.....
Crystal Springs Station	260	...	1	15	7	1	11	75	50	.....	30	65 00	1	500	2500	1	2000	.....	.....
Terry	65	...	1	...	4	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	3	1500	6000	...	.....	.....	.....
Hazlehurst Station	150	...	3	5	8	1	13	100	300	.....	...	25 00	1	350	4000	1	1800	.....	.....
Zion	100	...	1	8	...	3	10	60	20	.....	20	25 00	3	800	1000	...	.....	.....	.....
Georgetown	177	...	2	8	12	3	19	85	30	.....	47	65 00	2	250	1100	...	.....	.....	.....
Providence	232	...	3	...	3	1	6	30	75	.....	...	.....	4	1000	2200	...	.....	.....	600
Raymond	237	...	2	5	2	5	35	245	550	.....	73	62 00	4	1250	10200	...	.....	.....	.....
Beauregard	204	...	1	1	1	1	10	75	150	.....	...	20 00	3	800	4500	...	.....	.....	.....
Monticello	183	...	3	...	10	3	15	95	150	.....	15	.....	5	750	3500	...	.....	College	.....
Total	2252	...	27	73	71	24	159	1053	2011	.....	255	$439 00	39	9350	$44500	3	$5500	.....	$50600

BROOKHAVEN DIST. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS.							BOOKS.		STEWARDS ON FINANCE.					
	Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.
Brookhaven Station	$18 85	$25 00	$31 00	.....	...	.....	$275 00	.....	25	$125	$125 00	.....	$1000 00	$750 00	.....
Brookhaven Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bogue Chitto Mission	10 00	3 00	2 00	.....	...	.....	.....	$51 80	38	50	30 75	.....	400 00	175 00	.....
Scotland	19 30	25 00	10 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	130	60 00	.....	760 00	322 00	.....
Brandywine	19 70	21 90	12 25	$5 00	...	.....	.....	40 00	12	125	92 00	.....	760 00	386 50	.....
Crystal Springs Station	25 00	31 00	15 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	150	95 00	.....	800 00	575 00	.....
Terry	10 00	10 00	4 10	.....	...	.....	50 00	.....	20	50	36 00	.....	325 00	155 10	.....
Hazlehurst Station	15 70	18 10	10 60	.....	...	.....	1000 00	.....	20	175	126 00	.....	825 00	575 00	.....
Zion	7 00	5 00	.....	20 00	...	.....	.....	5 00	7	20	20 00	.....	280 00	82 00	.....
Georgetown	15 05	11 50	24 50	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	18	130	101 00	.....	650 00	518 00	.....
Providence	24 65	5 00	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	30	130	122 00	.....	410 00	233 00	.....
Raymond	25 00	57 25	46 20	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	85	125	125 00	.....	800 00	577 75	.....
Beauregard	25 00	40 00	20 00	.....	...	$43 00	2500 00	.....	20	125	125 00	.....	750 00	465 00	.....
Monticello	10 00	9 00	8 00	.....	...	.....	.....	20 00	...	50	42 00	.....	400 00	267 00	.....
Total	$223 65	$255 75	$182 65	$25 00	...	$43 00	$3825 00	$116 80	275	$1385	$1009 75	.....	$8150 00	$5081 35	.....

BRANDON DISTRICT. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH. White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Expended.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No. of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Brandon Station	99	...	...	3	11	1	19	75	300	.....	75	$70 00	1	400	$1000	...	.....	.....	.....
Fannin	370	...	2	32	1	5	130	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Garlandsville	287	...	2	26	3	3	22	50	.....	.....	12	.....	4	850	4500	...	.....	.....	.....
Raleigh	310	...	1	12	20	4	24	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	1000	2000	..	.....	.....	.....
Trenton	330	...	2	24	41	3	16	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	950	2250	...	.....	.....	.....
Morton	220	...	1	8	8	..	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	1000	3000	...	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia	270	...	2	8	27	2	8	60	100	.....	.....	200 00	6	1200	1500	...	.....	Land.	$100
Hillsboro	400	...	8	...	...	4	20	200	300	.....	30	.....	4	1200	1500	...	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Grove	324	...	7	19	7	3	14	125	200	.....	30	.....	3	1250	4500	...	.....	.....	.....
Union Mission	125	...	2	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	100
Taylorsville Mission	135	...	...	3	1	1	...	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	600	600	...	.....	.....	.....
Forest and Lake	281	...	3	14	14	1	7	30	.....	.....	7	10 00	4	1000	3500	...	.....	.....	1800
Total	3151	...	30	149	133	27	260	1293	900	.....	154	$280 00	28	9450	$24350	...	.....	.....	$2000

BRANDON DISTRICT. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS. Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	BOOKS. Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	STEWARDS ON FINANCE. Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ney.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ney.
Brandon Station	$35 00	$30 00	.....	24	...	$305 00	$6500 00	.....	75	$180 00	$180 00	.....	$800 00	$800 00	.....
Fannin	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	140 00	60 10	.....	700 00	360 00	.....
Garlandsville	25 35	20 00	$28 00	.....	...	.....	250 00	$15 00	33	110 00	84 45	.....	550 00	470 52	.....
Raleigh	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	10 70	.....	...	102 60	50 35	.....	572 40	251 95	.....
Trenton	10 10	15 00	9 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	69 98	.....	588 00	334 95	.....
Morton	13 25	16 00	10 00	.....	...	.....	.....	4 80	10	100 00	63 25	.....	500 00	379 50	.....
Philadelphia	.....	18 00	13 00	.....	...	.....	.....	15 00	70	85 00	60 00	.....	416 00	350 00	.....
Hillsboro	9 40	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	18	80 00	30 30	.....	400 00	191 80	.....
Walnut Grove	33 15	4 60	6 40	.....	...	.....	29 20	.....	...	120 00	120 00	.....	600 00	622 20	.....
Union Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	300 00	.....	.....
Taylorsville Mission	5 00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	93 00	.....
Forest and Lake	9 00	12 70	10 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	24	108 00	69 75	.....	530 00	349 00	.....
Total	$140 25	$116 30	$76 40	24	...	$305 00	$6789 90	$34 80	230	$1025 60	$788 18	.....	$5956 40	$4202 95	.....

MERIDIAN DISTRICT. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH. White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Expended.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Meridian Station	235	...	4	5	19	1	19	128	400	.....	100	$120 00	1	400	$2500	1	$1500	*	$8500
DeKalb	470	...	2	45	30	2	10	65	300	.....	25	10 00	7	2500	3000	1	300	.....	.....
Spring Hill	481	...	3	22	18	1	29	310	255	.....	16	85 00	1	1000	4175	1	300	.....	.....
Marion	342	...	4	40	20	2	8	60	100	.....	40	15 00	6	1500	1300	..	.....	.....	.....
Toomsuba	292	...	2	39	27	4	24	164	223	.....	2	39 95	2	2000	1600	..	.....	.....	.....
Enterprise Station	123	...	...	20	18	1	11	75	400	.....	40	25 00	1	300	1500	..	.....	.....	.....
Enterprise Circuit	304	...	2	25	15	...	...	...	.....	.....	12	.....	10	1300	2025	..	.....	.....	.....
Stonewall Factory Mission.	61	...	...	25	2	1	7	40	50	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Shubuta Mission	127	...	...	8	5	1	13	109	50	.....	25	75 00	1	400	1500	1	650	†	50
Clarke	488	...	4	27	33	4	13	150	.....	.....	...	37 65	13	1975	2940	..	.....	.....	.....
Wayne	449	...	4	15	18	5	20	163	260	.....	60	.....	4	1600	2000	..	.....	.....	.....
Paulding	435	...	4	27	25	4	12	75	125	.....	...	.....	8	1600	2400	..	.....	.....	.....
Total	3807	...	29	298	230	26	166	1339	2168	....	320	$407 60	54	14575	$22940	4	$2750	.....	$8550

MERIDIAN DISTRICT. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS. Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	BOOKS. Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	STEWARDS ON FINANCE. Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.
Meridian Station	$29 00	$44 40	$30 15	....	....	$5 80	$695 00	.....	23	$150 00	$132 50	.....	$1000 00	$835 00	.....
DeKalb	30 00	25 00	31 00	...	....	.....	.....	.....	43	150 00	107 00	.....	700 00	503 00	.....
Spring Hill	15 45	39 00	42 50	....	...	.....	.....	$17 95	64	100 00	85 00	.....	700 00	595 00	.....
Marion	10 60	5 00	5 00	....	...	.....	.....	200 00	44	100 00	42 35	.....	400 00	190 35	.....
Toomsuba	.....	15 00	12 00	...	...	.....	.....	.....	24	95 00	43 00	.....	383 40	185 55	.....
Enterprise Station	30 00	54 00	40 00	...	...	20 00	500 00	.....	30	100 00	100 00	.....	600 00	700 00	.....
Enterprise Circuit	8 50	24 50	25 10	...	...	.....	.....	.....	22	100 00	62 00	.....	400 00	208 00	.....
Stonewall Factory Mission.	.....	.....	.....	....	...	.....	50 00	1 00	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	.....
Shubuta Mission	29 00	51 10	50 50	....	...	25 00	10 00	.....	148	126 00	100 00	.....	774 00	641 00	.....
Clarke	24 50	16 00	30 00	....	...	.....	.....	19 50	83	125 00	56 00	.....	585 00	274 65	.....
Wayne	27 30	50 00	40 00	7	...	.....	.....	.....	24	150 00	81 10	.....	450 00	405 15	.....
Paulding	25 00	22 10	20 70	....	...	.....	.....	.....	25	200 00	92 25	.....	700 00	433 00	.....
Total	$230 35	$344 10	$326 85	7	...	$50 80	$1265 00	$238 45	534	$1396 00	$902 20	.....	$6692 40	$5035 70	.....

* College and two lots. † One lot.

SEA-SHORE DISTRICT. STATIONS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH. White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Expended.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No. of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Mt. Carmel	468	...	1	20	6	1	4	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	2300	$1500	..	.....	.....	.....
Rankin	503	...	4	45	32	6	28	130	300	.....	100	$12 00	6	1600	1900	..	.....	.....	.....
Columbia	170	...	...	...	12	2	4	30	.....	.....	.....	550 00	..	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Pearlington	85	...	...	2	12	1	7	60	200	.....	.....	25 00	6	1200	1200	..	.....	.....	.....
Ocean Springs	107	...	3	7	18	2	12	65	350	.....	65	40 00	4	800	5000	..	.....	.....	.....
White Plains	151	...	3	25	22	1	4	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	700	700	..	.....	.....	.....
Enon	205	...	3	20	14	..	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	350	400	..	.....	.....	.....
East Pascagoula	250	...	...	10	25	5	27	300	450	.....	100	50 00	6	2500	4000	1	$1500	.....	.....
West Pascagoula Mission	150	...	...	8	15	..	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	650	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Chickasaha and Green Miss.	269	...	...	11	38	1	3	20	50	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Total	2358	...	14	148	194	19	89	695	1350	.....	265	$677 00	43	10100	$14700	1	$1500	.....	.....

SEA-SHORE DISTRICT. STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS. Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	BOOKS. Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	STEWARDS ON FINANCE. Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ney.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ney.
Mt. Carmel	$13 00	$1 00	$3 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	40	$100	$53 25	.....	$500 00	$267 00	.....
Rankin	9 25	28 00	23 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	120	42 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbia	8 00	3 50	2 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	90	10 00	.....	450 00	222 20	.....
Pearlington	10 00	7 00	4 30	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	5	103	60 00	.....	525 00	375 00	.....
Ocean Springs	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	100	10 05	.....	500 00	420 00	.....
White Plains	8 00	10 00	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	$120 00	25	40	47 00	.....	195 00	50 00	.....
Enon	10 00	1 50	3 00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	120	26 00	.....	600 00	120 00	.....
East Pascagoula	20 00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	185	96 00	.....	1000 00	576 00	.....
West Pascagoula Mission	5 00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	45	31 00	.....	240 00	115 25	.....
Chickasaha and Green Miss.	5 00	13 00	10 00	1	...	.....	.....	.....	...	100	.....	.....	500 00	164 50	.....
Total	$98 25	$69 00	$70 30	1	...	.....	.....	$120 00	70	$1003	$375 30	.....	$4510 00	$2309 95	.....

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	NUMB'RS IN CHURCH.					SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.							CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	White Members.	Colored Members.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Schools.	Sup'ts and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Req'sites.	Visitors Taken.	Moneys Expended.	No. of Churches.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Churches.	No. of Pars'n'g's.	Value of Pars'n'g's.	Other Church Property.	Value.
Jackson	2345	...	23	189	159	26	189	1009	3676	.....	465	$1278 85	32	8160	$58270	6	$10600	.....	$2490
Vicksburg	2021	...	14	141	90	25	152	866	2850	.....	252	510 00	25	5475	85300	3	8200	.....	6010
Woodville	2285	...	17	113	142	24	115	689	1682	.....	102	124 20	37	8400	45700	3	5300	.....	201550
Summit	1437	...	12	69	97	14	54	375	676	.....	122	62 00	30	5550	18700	1	1200	.....	.....
Brookhaven	2252	...	27	73	71	24	159	1053	2011	.....	255	439 00	39	9350	44500	3	5500	.....	50660
Brandon	3151	...	30	149	135	27	260	1293	900	.....	154	280 00	28	9450	24350	...	.....	.....	2000
Meridian	3807	...	29	298	230	26	166	1339	2163	.....	320	407 60	54	14575	22940	4	2750	.....	8550
Sea-shore	2358	...	14	148	194	19	89	695	1350	.....	265	677 00	43	10100	28700	1'	1500	.....	.....
Grand total	19656	...	166	1180	1116	185	1184	7319	14308	.....	1935	$3778 65	288	71060	$329460	21	$35050	.....	$271200
Total last year	17982	...	163	1033	987	183	1008	6261	20425	.....	1680	375295 00	290	75750	323135	18	33000	.....	317450
Increase	1674	...	3	147	129	2	176	1058	.....	.....	255	.....	...	.....	$6325	3	$2050	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	6117	.....	.....	$371526 35	2	4690	.....	...	.....	.....	$46250

DISTRICTS.	COLLECTIONS.							BOOKS.		STEWARDS ON FINANCE.					
	Bishops' Fund.	Conf. Collect'ns.	Missions.	Tracts.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Amount of Books Sold.	Periodic'ls Taken.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. E.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.	Salary and Traveling Expenses of P. C.	Receipts.	Defic'ncy.
Jackson	$289 75	$330 65	$443 25	.....	$30 00	$200 00	$1791 40	$134 90	864	$1500 00	$1149 05	.....	$10720 00	$6338 55	.....
Vicksburg	161 85	318 05	208 00	.....	50 00	25 00	1200 00	112 25	351	1710 00	987 00	.....	8170 00	6601 60	.....
Woodville	178 75	285 75	212 35	.....	5 00	16 00	275 00	949 00	249	1200 00	830 45	.....	7200 00	4617 15	.....
Summit	89 85	64 80	69 90	.....	.....	.....	972 00	285 00	245	530 00	253 40	.....	3830 00	2001 60	.....
Brookhaven	223 65	255 75	182 65	25	.....	43 00	3825 00	116 80	275	1385 00	1009 75	.....	8150 00	5081 35	.....
Brandon	140 25	116 30	76 40	24	.....	305 00	6789 90	34 80	230	1025 60	778 20	.....	5956 40	4202 95	.....
Meridian	230 35	344 10	326 85	7	.....	50 80	1255 00	238 45	534	1396 00	902 20	.....	6692 40	5035 70	.....
Sea-shore	98 25	69 00	70 30	1	.....	.....	.....	120 00	70	1003 00	375 30	.....	4510 00	2309 95	.....
Grand total	$1412 70	$1784 40	$1589 70	57	$85 00	$639 80	$16108 30	$2081 20	2818	$9749 60	$6285 35	.....	$55228 80	$36188 85	.....
Total last year	1306 25	2147 70	1533 65	441	138 35	303 85	11843 75	708 25	1877	8505 00	6765 40	.....	51526 36	39267 75	.....
Increase	$106 45	.....	$56 05	.....	.....	$335 95	$4264 55	$1372 95	941	$1244 60	.....	.....	$3702 44	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	$363 30	.....	384	$53 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$480 05	.....	.....	$3078 90	.....

WHITWORTH FEMALE COLLEGE,

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BY faithful, constant labor on the part of its friends this Institution has attained an enviable position. The Course of Study is extensive and well arranged; the instruction is thorough; the pupils are well provided for; the College has a good apparatus, also maps and charts—indeed, all the appliances necessary to a thoroughly equipped College; the music department is unexcelled anywhere. The object of the President of the College is to do the largest amount of good to the largest number possible.

One thing the College needs—this it MUST have—an *Endowment Fund.* The friends to the cause of liberal education are entreated to give this matter their serious attention. The Church should foster this Institution, and make it an honor to the age in which we live, and a blessing to succeeding generations. We ask every preacher to act as agent; you will never lose any thing by so doing. We ask those persons who have a surplus of lands to donate them to the College; or, if you have no great surplus, perhaps you could donate some few acres, any way.

Any one desiring information as to the plan of the Board of Trustees will please communicate with the President of the College. Remember, we *must* educate, and to compete successfully with others, and especially with the State, *we must endow.*

H. F. JOHNSON,
President Whitworth College.